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TO: NC/HEADQUARTERS INFO DIRECTOR

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SUBJECT: ASSESSMENT BY OF PARAGUAYAN PERSONALITIES

REF: A. NC/HEADQUARTERS 24058

B. DIRECTOR 285908 (NS/N FR

1. FOLLOWING ARE ASSESSMENTS OF SEVERAL PARAGUAYANS WITH WHOM IS FAMILIAR. ADDITIONAL AND MORE DETAILED ASSESSMENTS WILL BE PROVIDED FOLLOWING HER UPCOMING TRAVEL TO PARAGUAY. PLEASE ADVISE IF ANY OF THE FOLLOWING SHOULD BE RESUBMITTED IN INTEL FORMAT.

2. ELPIDIO ((ACEVEDO)) -- HAS BEEN ACQUAINTED WITH ACEVEDO FOR SOME 20 YEARS AND DATED HIM WHILE SHE WAS RESIDING IN PARAGUAY IN THE LATE FIFTIES/EARLY SIXTIES. ACEVEDO IS MARRIED TO THE SISTER-IN-LAW OF PARAGUAYAN BROTHER. DESCRIBES ACEVEDO AS WILLING TO DO ANYTHING FOR MONEY. ALTHOUGH HE CURRENTLY HOLDS THE POSITION OF DEPUTY SECRETARY FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS, CLAIMS IT IS NOT A SENSITIVE POSITION AND HE DOES NOT HAVE A DECISIONMAKING ROLE WITHIN THE PARAGUAYAN GOVERNMENT (GOP). ACCORDING TO ACEVEDO'S CLAIM TO FAME WAS HIS INVOLVEMENT IN THE LATE 1970'S EXTRADITION OF A FRENCH DRUG TRAFFICKER TO THE UNITED STATES WHEN ACEVEDO SERVED AS ATTORNEY GENERAL. SAID ACEVEDO PRIDES HIMSELF ON THAT INVOLVEMENT. FYI, DESCRIBED THE FRENCHMAN AS FORMERLY THE LEADER OF THE CIVILIAN DRUG TRAFFICKING IN PARAGUAY, AND SHE BELIEVES THAT HE MAY HAVE INFORMATION ON THE WHEREABOUTS OF JOSEF ((MENGELE)). COULD NOT REMEMBER THE FRENCHMAN'S NAME, ONLY THAT HE WAS IN HIS SIXTIES WHEN HE WAS EXTRADITED APPROXIMATELY SEVEN YEARS AGO.

3. ACCORDING TO ACEVEDO IS UNWILLING TO STICK HIS NECK OUT FOR ANY REASON UNLESS THERE IS MONEY INVOLVED. HE COVETS SOCIAL PROMINENCE AND DESCRIBES HIS WIFE AS A SOCIAL

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BUTTERFLY. WHEN THEY WERE DATING A NUMBER OF YEARS AGO, [] FOUND ACEVEDO TO BE OBSESSED WITH SOCIAL PROMINENCE AND MONEY. HE LOVED TO MEET DIGNITARIES AND ATTEND PARTIES WHERE HE WAS A HEAVY SCOTCH DRINKER. HE HAD, AND PRESUMABLY STILL HAS, A LOVE OF EVERYTHING FRENCH: WINE, ART, FURNITURE, ETC. ACEVEDO MARRIED INTO A FAMILY WHICH SHARES HIS INCLINATIONS FOR MONEY AND SOCIAL PROMINENCE. HE IS A WOMANIZER, BUT [] BELIEVES IT IS A RESULT MORE OF PEER PRESSURE THAN OF AN ADULTEROUS NATURE. WHEN HIS DAUGHTER WAS KIDNAPPED A NUMBER OF YEARS AGO, [] INDICATES ACEVEDO WAS NEARLY DESTROYED. ACEVEDO SPENDS MUCH OF HIS FREE TIME AT THE PARAGUAYAN GOLF AND YACHT CLUB ALTHOUGH HE IS NOT A GOLFER OR A YACHT OWNER. ACCORDING TO [] THERE ARE TWO GROUPS AT THE CLUB: THE WINE DRINKERS AND THE SCOTCH DRINKERS. THE WINE DRINKERS ARE NOT THE HEAVY DRINKERS BUT RATHER HAVE DEVELOPED A SNOBBERY AROUND THE CONSUMPTION OF VINTAGE FRENCH WINES. THE SCOTCH DRINKERS ARE SERIOUS ABOUT THEIR ALCOHOL CONSUMPTION. [] PRESUMES THAT ACEVEDO STILL FITS INTO THE LATTER GROUP.

4. ACEVEDO WAS AMBASSADOR TO SPAIN A NUMBER OF YEARS AGO AND CARED FOR PRESIDENT ((STROESSNER'S)) SON ALFREDITO WHO HAD BEEN SENT TO SPAIN TO SCHOOL AND TO REFORM HIS ALCOHOL AND DRUG PROBLEMS. STROESSNER BECAME INDEBTED TO ACEVEDO FOR HIS CARE, AND ACEVEDO'S POLITICAL AMBITIONS SOARED. HE WAS AT ONE TIME CONSIDERED A GOOD CIVILIAN CANDIDATE FOR THE PRESIDENCY. ACEVEDO CURRENTLY HAS A ONE-THIRD INTEREST IN A RANCH IN THE CHACO REGION WHICH HE OWNS WITH HIS BROTHERS. THE BROTHERS ARE MAKING A LIVING FROM THE RANCH BUT ARE NOT DOING WELL. ACEVEDO IS THE ONLY BROTHER WITH AN INDEPENDENT INCOME, AND THEY ARE DEPENDENT ON HIM FOR HELP IN RUNNING THE RANCH SINCE NONE OF THEM ARE GOOD BUSINESSMEN.

5. GENERAL ((GLEBSCH)) -- [] HAS BEEN ACQUAINTED WITH GLEBSCH THROUGH HER PARENTS FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS ALTHOUGH SHE COULD NOT REMEMBER HIS FIRST NAME DURING THE DEBRIEFING. [] DESCRIBES GLEBSCH AS BEING A CLOSE CONFIDANT TO STROESSNER. THEY FREQUENTLY MEET AT THE GOLF AND YACHT CLUB. GLEBSCH IS A QUIET MAN AND NOT WELL KNOWN AMONG THE PARAGUAYAN COMMUNITY. HE IS A SHY MAN WHO SMILES FREQUENTLY AND IS VERY GENTLEMANLY; [] DESCRIBES HIM AS CHARMING AND PLEASANT. HE ENJOYS YACHTING. LIKE STROESSNER, HE HAS A MENNONITE BACKGROUND. GLEBSCH IS NOT A LIKELY SUCCESSOR TO STROESSNER, ACCORDING TO [] BECAUSE HE LACKS THE COMMAND OF ANY TROOPS AND THEREFORE DOES NOT HAVE A BROAD ENOUGH BASE WITHIN THE MILITARY TO GAIN OR RETAIN THEIR SUPPORT.

6. GENERAL GERARDO ((JOHANNSEN)) -- AGAIN, A FAMILY ACQUAINTANCE OF []. JOHANNSEN IS THE "STRAIGHT ARROW" OF THE PARAGUAYAN MILITARY AND WIDELY CONSIDERED THE MOST HONEST

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MILITARY MAN IN PARAGUAY. ACCORDING TO [] HE IS THE ONLY GENERAL WHO PAYS HIS WAY WHEN FLYING ON THE PARAGUAYAN NATIONAL AIRLINES FOR WHICH HE SERVES AS CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS. ACCORDING TO [] JOHANNSSEN WILL BE MADE PRESIDENT AND EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE AIRLINE WHILE THE CURRENT AIRLINE PRESIDENT, GENERAL ((CALVET)), WILL BE MADE CHIEF OF THE AIR FORCE. FYI, [] BELIEVES THAT IF THE MILITARY IS INVOLVED IN DRUG TRAFFICKING IN PARAGUAY, THEY MAY BE USING THE AIRLINE AS A DELIVERY MECHANISM. SHE NOTES THAT AIRLINE CREWS TYPICALLY CARRY LARGE AMOUNTS OF LUGGAGE WITH THEM WHICH ARE NOT CHECKED BY U.S. OR OTHER CUSTOMS. PERMISSION TO CARRY THE EXTRA LUGGAGE IS GENERALLY CONSIDERED BY AIRLINE EMPLOYEES, WHO ARE NOT WELL PAID, TO BE ONE OF THE FRINGE BENEFITS OF EMPLOYMENT.

7. [] DESCRIBES JOHANNSSEN AS AN HONEST MAN WITH AN HONEST FAMILY. HE LIVES RATHER MODESTLY AND, IF HE DOES HAVE ACCESS TO OUTSIDE BUSINESS OR DRUG CONNECTIONS, HE HAS NOT TAKEN ADVANTAGE OF THEM. HE IS HAPPILY MARRIED, ENJOYS BOATING, AND HAS A LOW KEY PERSONALITY. JOHANNSSEN'S FORMER MAID IS NOW EMPLOYED BY WU/1'S FAMILY, AND JOHANNSSEN IS A FREQUENT SOCIAL ACQUAINTANCE, GENERALLY AT THE YACHT CLUB, OF [] FAMILY. [] CONSIDERS HIM TO BE A POSSIBLE MILITARY SUCCESSOR TO STROESSNER BECAUSE OF HIS WELL KNOWN HONESTY, HIS DIRECT CONTACT WITH AND SUPPORT OF REGULAR ARMY TROOPS, AND HIS UNFLAPPABLE PERSONALITY.

8. [] DESCRIBES GENERAL ANDRES ((RODRIGUEZ)) AS VULGAR AND OBNOXIOUS. HE USES VULGAR LANGUAGE IN SOCIAL SETTINGS AND DOES NOT ALWAYS HAVE A WELL GROOMED APPEARANCE. HE HAS SLOPPY AND RUDE MANNERS IN PUBLIC. RODRIGUEZ IS A NEIGHBOR OF [] FAMILY ALTHOUGH THEY DO NOT SOCIALIZE WITH HIM. HE IS ENCOUNTERED OCCASIONALLY AT THE YACHT CLUB. HIS WIFE IS VERY FASHIONABLE AND ENJOYS DISPLAYING HER JEWELRY. IN ADDITION TO HIS LARGE RANCH AND MANSION IN ASUNCION, RODRIGUEZ HAS SEVERAL RANCHES IN THE CHACO AREA.

9. ACCORDING TO [] MUCH OF THE DRUG TRAFFIC IN PARAGUAY IS RUMORED TO TRANSIT THROUGH THE CHACO AREA. CHACO HAS FEW ROADS AND TRANSPORTATION IS GENERALLY LIMITED TO PRIVATE PLANES. THERE IS A GERMAN MENNONITE COLONY IN THE AREA, BUT IT IS NOT COMPOSED OF THE SAME GERMAN MENNONITES WHO RESIDE IN THE INCARNACION AREA. FYI, [] BELIEVES THAT IF MENGELE WAS OR IS IN PARAGUAY, HE WAS LIVING IN THE INCARNACION AREA. [] IS CONVINCED THAT SOMEONE IN THE GOP KNOWS THE TRUE WHEREABOUTS OF MENGELE, AND THAT IF MENGELE IS STILL LIVING IN PARAGUAY HE IS PAYING HIS PROTECTOR IN THE GOVERNMENT FOR THE PRIVILEGE. [] FEELS THAT THE SAME GROUP WHICH IS INVOLVED WITH THE WITHHOLDING OF THE COCAINE PROCESSING CHEMICALS WILL HAVE THE ANSWER TO THE WHEREABOUTS OF MENGELE. ALTHOUGH SHE HAS NO EVIDENCE SHORT OF RUMOR, [] BELIEVES THAT RODRIGUEZ IS PROBABLY THE KEY. []

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ALSO IDENTIFIED [FABIO ((MASI)) DASILVA] AND [((LANDO))]
AS PARAGUAYAN CIVILIANS INVOLVED IN DRUG TRAFFICKING ACCORDING
TO LOCAL RUMOR.

10. GUSTAVO ((STROESSNER)) -- GUSTAVO IS A FRIEND OF [C] [J]
AMERICAN BROTHER AND GUSTAVO'S WIFE WAS AN EQUESTRIAN PARTNER OF
[C] [J] NIECE WHO NOW IS ATTENDING SCHOOL IN ST. LOUIS.
ACCORDING TO [C] [J] THERE IS LITTLE CHANCE THAT GUSTAVO WILL
SUCCEED HIS FATHER BECAUSE HE IS TOTALLY LACKING THE NECESSARY
LEADERSHIP SKILLS. AS A RESULT, [C] [J] DOES NOT BELIEVE THAT
GUSTAVO COULD MAINTAIN THE SUPPORT OF THE MILITARY, AND HE DOES
NOT ENJOY THE RESPECT OF THE AIR FORCE OFFICERS WITH WHOM HE
WORKS. [C] [J] DESCRIBES GUSTAVO AS QUIET, SHY, AND GENERALLY
LACKING IN PERSONALITY OR CHARISMA. HE IS NOT CUNNING OR QUICK
THINKING. HE AVOIDS CONFLICT, STAYS AWAY FROM PUBLIC
GATHERINGS, AND DOES ALL OF HIS ENTERTAINING AT HOME. ALTHOUGH
[C] [J] DOES NOT THINK GUSTAVO HAS THE INSTINCTUAL FORTITUDE TO RUN
PARAGUAY, HE IS THE MANAGER OF THE FAMILY FORTUNE AND THE
"ENFORCER" FOR THE FAMILY. AS AN EXAMPLE, WHEN HIS SISTER
GRACIELLA WAS HAVING PROBLEMS WITH HER NOW EX-HUSBAND HUMBERTO
((DIBB)), IT WAS GUSTAVO WHO ORDERED THE ARREST AND JAILING OF
DIBB. GUSTAVO PAYS ALL THE FAMILY BILLS AND MAINTAINS THE
ACCOUNTING. DESPITE HIS QUIET DEMEANOR AND GENERAL LACK OF
CHARISMA, HE IS A RACING CAR AFICIONADO WHO LOVES TO RACE. HE
IS IN GOOD HEALTH. ACCORDING TO [C] [J] HE WAS DATING HIS CURRENT
WIFE FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS BEFORE HIS FATHER FORCED HIM TO GET
MARRIED. AT THE TIME, GUSTAVO WAS CONSIDERED BY THE PUBLIC TO
BE INDECISIVE AND SOMEWHAT LACKING IN MACHISMO WITH REGARD TO
THE RELATIONSHIP. GUSTAVO HAS NO CHILDREN, LEGITIMATE OR
OTHERWISE.

9. [C] [J] ANTICIPATES SOCIALIZING WITH THESE AND OTHER
PARAGUAYAN PERSONALITIES DURING HER UPCOMING TRIP TO ASUNCION.
SHE IS AWARE OF YOUR INTERESTS PER REFS A AND B, AND WILL
PROVIDE ADDITIONAL AND MORE DETAILED INFORMATION FOLLOWING HER
TRIP.

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